GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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LOANS TO KARNATAKA BY THE NBCF AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) criteria adopted to sanction loan to States by the National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation;

(b) whether during the year 1997-98 Rs. 1512.405 lakh was sanctioned to Karnataka bythe National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation but only Rs. 798.45 lakh was released;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government of Karnataka has requested the Union Government severaltimes to release the full sanctioned amount; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) The National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation (NBCFDC)provides financial assistance at a concessional rate of interest to the eligible members of backward classes through State Channelising Agencies (SCAs) nominated by the concerned State Governments/UT Administrations to promote economic anddevelopmental activities and to assist the upgradation technical and entrepreneurial skills for setting up of self-employment ventures.

The NBCFDC makes notional allocation to State Corporations (SCAs) on the basis ofotal population of the State against which Annual Action Plans are submitted by the SCAs. Sanctions are made as per Annual Action Plan submitted by the SCAs as wellas keeping in view their past performance and absorption capacity.

(b) to (e) During 1997-98 the NBCFDC sanctioned the schemes submitted by Karnatakabackward classes Development Corporation Ltd. to the tune of Rs. 1512.405 lakhagainst which Rs. 798.45 lakhs were disbursed as per the demand received from the SCA from time to time. All legitimate demands of the SCA were met and fundsreleased as per policy and guidelines of the Corporation during 1997-98. The SCA, however, refunded Rs. 237.00 lakh during 1997-98 as the SCA was unable to utilize the funds. No demand of SCA is pending with the Corporation.